

EVENTS OF A YEAR.

Story of an Important Period in the History of the World Briefly Told.

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR WAR WITH SPAIN.

Brief Mention of Financial Failures, Startling Catastrophes and Crimes—Necrology of Year — Politics and Sport.

THE SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR.

Feb. 9—U. S. demands recall of Spanish minister Dupuy de Lome for vulgar criticisms of Pres. McKinley.
15—Battleship Maine (costing \$2,484,000) blown up in Havana harbor; 265 men and 2 officers perished.
17—Pres. McKinley appoints naval board to investigate Maine disaster.
Mar. 5—Pres. McKinley refuses Spain's request for recall of Consul-General Lee at Havana.
9—Pres. signs bill appropriating \$50,000 for national defense which congress had unanimously passed.... U. S. cruiser Montgomery replaces Maine at Havana.
14—U. S. buys at London 2 Brazilian warships.
22—Maine court of inquiry reports explosion was from outside.
Schley ordered to command flying squadron at Hampton Roads.
Spain notified hostilities in Cuba must cease.
Apr. 1—Pres. declines French offer of mediation.
Consul-General Lee leaves Havana.
President's message on Cuban question sent to congress.
Senate by a vote of 42 to 35, and house 310 to 6, adopt joint resolution for Cuban independence, demanding withdrawal of Spain's forces from Cuba, and authorizing pres. to use land and naval forces to carry resolution into effect.
Pres. signs war resolutions.... Ultimatum issued to Spain to evacuate Cuba.... Spanish minister demands and receives his passports and leaves Washington.
Minister Woodford given his transports with full powers allowed to present U. S. ultimatum.
Clyburn's fleet arrives off coast of Cuba, blocking proclamation issued.... Gun of the war fired by a boat in capturing the prize Buena Vista.... Armistice in Cuba ended.
Total loss in Cuban war for 125,000 two-year volunteers.

Spain is declared by congress since Apr. 21.

U. S. sends Cuba.

Dewey destroys entire Manila bay.

Dewey—acting admiral.

Cuba, destroyed; Eng.

the Winslow and 4 others

set bombs and reduces

to Rico fortifications.

expedition to Philippines Francisco under Maj. Gen.

Oregon arrives after long trip Horn.

Set enters Santiago harbor.

75,000 more volunteers.

takes command of Philip.

and expeditions.

sinks Merrimac in Santiago

taken prisoner with 7 other

U. S. 600 marines landed

sails eastward, from

lands near Santiago.

then back from Baiguio.

ures Juragua.... Roose-

ters and 10th cavalry sus-

being caught in ambush,

and rough riders take

El Caney, losing 231

wounded; fleet bombs

Morro.... War balloons

of Santiago.

in attempting es-

go harbor.

order detached to

coast.

7 companions ex-

in freedom.

after passing through

back to Spain.

to Shafter Santiago

Total loss in Cuban

to be 267 killed, 1,433

pointed military gov. of

Ponce, Porto Rico.

peace through French

near Manila.

signed at Washing-

and army assaults

mission named; to be

Senators Davis and

Reid and Justice

war investigation

raised over

V. P. O. R. Co.

agreed

at D.

March 1.

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Dec. 5—American savings, C., placed in hands of relatives, \$100,000.

BUSINESS FAILURES

Larger Commercial Con-

ting Liabilities of \$500,000.

Jan. 10—Port of Chalmette, leans, La., \$2,000,000.

17—At New York, Wertheime

manufacturers, \$800,000.

Feb. 1—At Providence, R. I.

works, \$616,700.

23—Sawyer, Manning & Co., dry

York and Boston, \$1,000,000.

April 1—At Dolgeville, N.

Dolge & Son, piano supplies,

At Boston E. Howard Clock

Co., \$500,000.

Jun. 10—At Bangor, Me., L. B. C.

tanners, \$850,000.

13—At Chicago, Joseph Leiter,

wheat speculator.

16—At Boston, Woven Hose &

Rubber Co., \$1,200,000.

Jul. 14—At Providence, R. I.

J. Mason & Sons, cotton manu-

facturers, \$800,000.

26—At Bridgeton, N. Y., Cumberland

& Iron Co., \$1,000,000.

27—Demarest Col. Paper Co.

At Boston, Hosmer, Codding &

boot & shoe dealers, \$500,000.

Sept. 26—New England Loan & Trust Co.

Des Moines, Ia., into receiver's han-

Oct. 1—U. A. & J. Sawyer, woven

factors, in Manchester, N. H., \$1,

000.

6—Bankers' & Merchants' Mutual Fire

Insurance Co., at Liberty, Mo., assigned

its buildings, failed for \$700,000.

Nov. 3—T. B. Rayl, president of T.

Rayl Hardware Co., of Detroit, fails for

\$1,500,000.

14—Turney & Jones Coal Co., and Penn.

Oil Fuel Co., of St. Paul Minn., into

receiver's hands. Liabilities, \$1,200,000.

17—Seidenberg, Steifel & Co., cigar dealers

in New York, fail for \$500,000.

25—At Woodbine, Kan., Grant C. Gillett,

extensive cattle dealer, fails for \$1,000,000.

29—George Jenkins, New York builder,

fails for \$710,338.

CASUALTIES.

Disasters of Various Kinds Which

Resulted in Five or More Deaths.

Jan. 1—Jersey City, N. J., 6 in fire.

12—Fort Smith, Ark., 46 during tornado.

(90 were injured.)

Feb. 1—Gloversville, N. Y., 6 in burning hotel.

On—Massachusetts and Rhode Island coast, 40 drowned during storm.

6—Boston, 6 firemen at a fire.

9—Pittsburgh, Pa., 20 in a fire.

19—Fielder County, S. C., 7 in forest fires.

24—Kalamazoo, Mich., 10 by chemical explosion.... West Harvey, Ill., 7; train crashed into a bus.

Mar. 2—Near Brewton, Ala., 6 by boiler explosion.

13—New York, 11 by burning of the Bowery mission house.

19—Chicago, 10 in a burning office building.

19—Pratt City, Ala., 6 negro convicts in a

burning prison.

26—Near Lehigh, I. T., 5 during tornado.... Kent, Minn., 7 in burning home.

Apr. 26—Santa Cruz, Cal., 11 in powder mill explosion.

28—Near Dover, N. J., 6 by powder explosion.

St. Vincent, Mex., 15 by explosion of

powder on pack train.... In Dakota and

Iowa, 8 in tornado.

May 6—in the Grand, Virginias and Arkansas bottoms, Tex., floods drown 17 famili-

es.

19—Near Springfield, Pa., 6 swept off raft.

23—In Iowa, Illinois and Wisconsin, 73 during cyclones.

26—Prince of Wales, Alaska, 7 drowned while

crossing the ice.... At Iron Mountain, Mich., 4 in fire.

27—Pittsburgh, Pa., 6 drowned in a mine.

Jun. 14—Stats City, Mo., 5 in mine disas-

HIGHWAY ROBBERY

By Gwendolen Overton.

a good rider, which was
should have the bridle over.
"I'm sure, Miss Kitty," he said,
it weren't me learned you to
reins hooked over the pommel
you dismounted—and I shan't
thought you could have moun
anywhere."

Kitty flushed. Of all things,
proudest of her horsemanship.

"Do you think O'Rourke, t
could catch Dandy for me?"

"I dunno," said O'Rourke. "It's
easy to catch a horse when the
pommel is over the pommel."

But he wound the lines around
the brake and jumped down. The
ger was not to be outdone. He
down, too, and together they
trotting across the plain.

Kitty had seen others try to
Dandy. She climbed leisurely to
stage and dragged the mail pouch
under the seat. She was frightened
now, and cold and trembling, and
threw quick glances to where O'Rourke
and the passenger were advancing
retreating, and deploying—never
in arm's reach of Dandy. When
had stowed away in the crown
a small package postmarked L
and addressed to Cady in a
sprawling, almost feminine
hand. She snapped the lock. She had left
keys in the bag. For she knew the
postmaster had duplicates.
steadied herself with a long
breath and gathering her riding
about her, walked toward Dandy.
Dandy held out her hand. Dandy
brought up to believe that the
sugar or nutmegs. Dandy was
outstretched, and nozzled in the
gloved palm.

He is sorry he was caught.

Miss Foster, scratching the back
ear, "and he is going to be gone
never, never run away from his
again."

And then she rewarded O'Rourke
putting her booted foot in his
palm and springing to her seat
manner that did his training.

She smiled on the passenger and
thanked him sweetly.

"I hope the postmaster will not be
angry with me for delaying the trans-

portation of the government mails,
and she cantered away.

Cady sat himself upon the top step
of the porch of Capt. Foster's quarters.

Miss Foster did the same. Cady's face
was stern and set. Miss Foster's was
white and scared. There was a silence.

Then Cady drew from his pocket a
package of letters. They were in
Kitty's writing. Kitty drew from her
pocket another package. They were in
Cady's hand. Cady spoke first.

"Here," he said, "is a bundle of let-

ters—four in number. They came to
me in to-day's mail. They were accompa-

nied by this note from Gloucester. I
need not assure you that I have not
read them, but I gather from what he

says that they are of an exceedingly
personal nature, and of very recent

date. You may guess my opinion of
Gloucester. But," he bent upon her a
look of withering scorn, "you cannot
guess my opinion of you."

He held the bundle out to her. She
pushed it away. Then she held up be-

fore her eyes a package of much the
same size. He reached out for them
quickly.

"Not yet!" said Kitty. "Here," she
continued, "is a bundle of letters—six

in number. They came in to-day's mail.

They were accompanied by a note from
Miss Fowler of Bowie. I need not as-

sure you that I have read them. They

are of an exceedingly personal—I may

say affectionate—nature and of very

recent date. They were written by no

one to Miss Fowler. I read, too, the note

with which she returned them. Here

it is. You may find it of interest—I
did."

Cady took the package she held out
to him. Miss Foster took the one Cady
held out to her. And again there was
silence.

Then the lieutenant spoke. "To
whom, may I ask, were the letters from
Miss Fowler addressed?"

"To you."

"And may I also ask how, in that
event, they came into your posse-

sion?"

Miss Foster considered. "No."

Cady put his package in his pocket
and fastened his blouse over them.

Then he sat looking over the parade

ground. After a time he put his hands
on his knees and turned and faced Miss

Foster.

"Well?" he said. Kitty's eyes had
been cast down, so that her long lashes
lay upon her cheeks. She raised them.

He looked down steadily into their blue

and twinkling depths.

"Well?" echoed Kitty. And then he
smiled.

Miss Foster gave a huge sigh of relief.

"Isn't it curious," she said, "how exact-

ly alike Miss Fowler and Mr. Gloucester
write?" Anyone might have been de-

cived.

Which was not very relevant; but
Cady did not ask what she meant. Irre-

levancy was one of Miss Foster's many charms.—San Francisco Argonaut.

The men who could have been few. Those in the

now to a tale calculated

part of stone.

"Well?" said the driver.

He saw the horse graz-

ing of stumpy grass, a hun-

dred feet away. Kitty went a step

forward and laid her hand on the wheel.

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One for the Legal Fraternity.

Two old Wigtownshire farmers were

recently sitting in a bar parlor enjoy-

ing a social "dram" and discussing on

things in general. At last, just prior

to the breaking up of their confab, one

of them remarked: "I wonder, John,

why it was that Mr. Briefs" (a gentle-

man who had been a resident in the

county town) "gave up his lucrative

law business in the latter years of his

life?" "Maybe James," quite seriously

replicated his friend, "maybe it was be-

cause he wudna like to see a lawyer!"

Stray Stories.

Danger in Cold Ankles.

Doctors say that cold ankles kill more

women than nerves and disease put to-

gether. This may be an exaggeration,

but it is not to say that when the an-

kes are well protected and kept per-

fectly warm their owner is not likely

to suffer with colds.—Boston Herald.

The Tropics propitious for

rest.

A Noble Lineage.

It was the year 3588 A. D. Presently

it would be 3589. Princess Mayne had

no time to lose, and yet she was forever

exalting herself because of her birth.

"I am descended from pork packers,"

she would say, vauntingly, scorning the

every-day princes who sought her hand.

As for the other princesses employed

in the store, they laughed at her pre-

tensions, and maintained that anyone

might trace a lineage as distinguished,

provided one went far enough.—Detroit

Journal.

The Unfortunate One.

Cholly—Her father treated me very

hospitably. He showed me all about

the house.

Jack (enviously)—Indeed! He only

showed me the door.—Up to Date.

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times call to sell it, but we cannot use it. No, human hair dressers do not get their hair in this way. Look at this hair. That is the only form in which we buy it. Most of the hair used in this country comes from France. There women cultivate beautiful hair for the purpose of selling it. Agen goes from house to house, paying trifling sums for it, and then skillfully cuts it off. Then it is sent to factories where it goes through various processes before it is ready for the market. The hair I have in my hand is all of the same length. The fine and strong hair we send to the United States is all of the coarser and most feeble kind. The long and short must be separated, must be uniform. These are the reasons why we could not utilize hair cut off.

"Do persons ever sell you dead people's hair?"

"We have had such callers. But such hair is weak and brittle, and not used in our business."

"How do you account for these clipping stories?"

"We have our own opinions. Some

times girls get tired of combing

carrying for their hair. Their parents

do not allow them to cut it off, next

thing they know some villain

comes along and截 it off, according

to the girl's story. She may have

the clipping and hidden away the

hair. Of course, there may be legal

cases of braid stealing or clipping

Wilhelmina of Holland crowned
Gen. Zurlinden, minister of war.
Governor of Paris, made French minister of war.
At Candia, Crete, between Mussulman and British, and British warship shells, destroying part of the city; over 1,000 people were either burned or buried.
Elizabeth Amelia Eugenia, empress of Brazil, assassinated at Geneva, Switzerland. Business section of New Westminster, B. C., burned; \$2,500,000.
Washington, capital of St. Vincent, in West Indies, partially destroyed by fire; 300 lives lost. Hurricane sweeps Barbadoes, in Windward group of Lesser Antilles; 200 killed and 40,000 rendered homeless.
French cabinet decides for Dreyfus revision.
Queen Louise of Denmark dies at Copenhagen, aged 80.
Han Kow, China, nearly destroyed by fire; 3,500 people said to have perished.
Lord Salisbury issues ultimatum to France to order Maj. Marchand out of Fashoda, in Nile valley.
French military resigns owing to refusal of chamber of deputies to pass vote of confidence. Pierre Pavis de Chavannes, great French painter, dies at Paris, aged 74.
ov. 1—France decides to retire from Fashoda unconditionally, thus averting war with England.
c. 19—Chinese rebels massacre French priest and 100 converts at Chun-Yang.

INDUSTRIAL

17—Strike in New England cotton mills against reduction in wages affects 100,000 people.
Strike of London engineers, involving 10 men and millions of dollars, results in victory for employers.
In Lawrence, Mass., 5,000 operatives in cotton mills accept 10 per cent. reduction in wages.
Lyonwood, Mich., 4,000 Carnegie employees receive 10 per cent. advance in wages.
3,500 cotton mill employees in N. Y. City, declared off. Persons affected in cotton mills amount to 100,000.

Ex-Gov. Cyrus C. Carpenter, of Ia., in Fort Dodge, aged 68.
Jun. 5—Capt. Charles V. Gridley, of cruiser Olympia, by injuries in battle of Manila Bay, died at San Francisco, Calif., aged 36.
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